19 DEAD, 200 HURT IN EXPLOSION IN WALL ST.; EXCHANGE CLOSED; J. P. MORGAN'S OFFICE WRECKED

To-night's weather-FAIR.

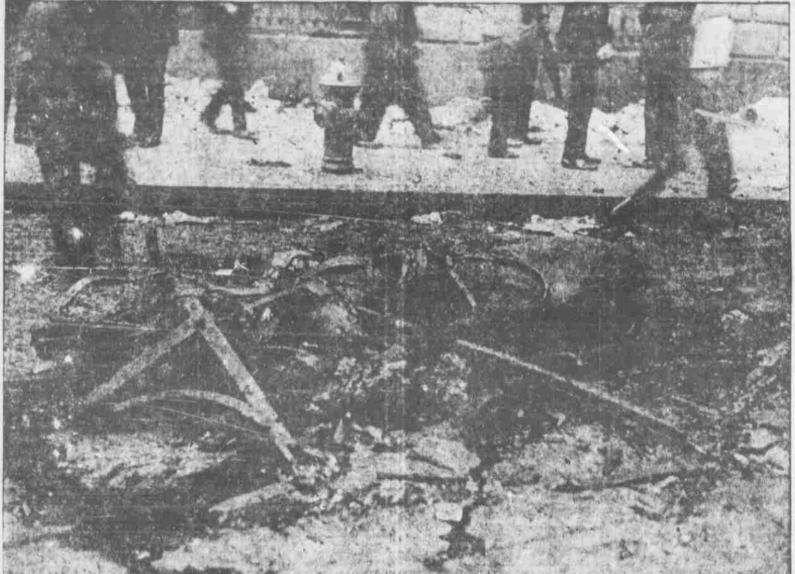
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Scene at Wall Street Front of Morgan's Office a Few Minutes After the Terrific Explosion



GRAPHIC STORY BY GIRL OF TERRORS OF EXPLOSION AND THE SCENES OF DEATH

Miss Ella Parry, in Office Opposite Morgan & Co., Narrowly Escapes Injury and Joins in Wild Flight to the Street.

Miss Ella Parry, twenty-two years old, of No. 156 East 55th Street, a stenographer with A. Iselin & Co., No. 36 Wall Street, almost directly opposite the office of Morgan & Co., gave a vivid account of her experience. She narrowly escaped being cut by glass or caught in the fall of plaster

"I had just fest my desk," she said, "and was washing my hands, when I heard the explosion. The glass of our windows fell into the office and the ceiling fell all about us. Where I had just been sliting was covneed with heavy plaster. I did not wait to get my hat, but with others rushed into the street,

It was the most awful sound I had ever heard and I was terrer stricken. All the women in the building, and the men, too, went rushing for be door and I was pretty well in the lead. The girls were screaming in serror and I was among them. When we got to the door policemen were there and they made us stay back. I looked down into the street and saw the reason. What I saw was awful.

"There were not less than a dozen dead persons on the sidewalk in trent of our building and the Sub-Treasury. Some of them had their faces almost completel; blown off, and their clothing had either been blown (Continued on Second Page.)

Dead and Injured

LIST OF DEAD.

JACOBS, IRVING D., curb JOYCE, WILLIAM, clerk in se-

UNIDENTIFIED BOY, about 16, 5 feet 5, brown hair and eyes, clothing blown from body; Old

curities department J. P. Morgan

Slip Police Station. UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN. about 55, gray hair, blue eyes, black waist, black skirt, black lace shoes, black stockings, small solitaire diamond ring on left

UNIDENTIFIED, APPAR-ENTLY JEWISH MAN, about 46, 5 feet 10, dark hair, brown

THE INJURED.

ALBECANDER, WILLIAM, No." 110 Convent Avenue, Brenz, lac-erations of bands and legs; New York Dispansery.

ANDERSON, ARTHUR, No. 63 Neck Read, Brooklyn, Inceration of head, Old Stip Police Station. ANDREWS, MARGARET, No. 1138 flice Avenue, Bronx; lacera-

teer Hospital. ASHLY, ANTHONY, No. BIG Decatur Avenue, Bronz: Incorated body: Brond Street Hospital. BAER, JOSEPH, No. 14 Mar-

gyle Avenue, Irvington, N. Y. lacerations of head; Old Slip Po-

BAGLEY, ELDRIDGE Wash-

ington, D. C.; Volunteer Hospital. BEHERMAN, JOSEPH, no ad-

BISHOP, MARY, No. 1040 Park Place, Brooklyn; cuts on face, hands and legs; Volunteer Hospi-

BOCK, FRED, No. 821 East 79th BODOLSKY, No. 168 Dam 1580 Street, lacerations of head; Old Slip Police Station. BOND, JACK, No. 201 West 111th

Street; head and hands out; Vol-unteer Hospital. BOWMAN, WILLIAM, No. 25 fouth Street, shock. Broad Street

BROWN, GEORGE EDWARD, No. 167 East 70th Street; face, head, arms and body injured; Volunteer Hospital. SUONO, CHEARLESS, no ad-

BUTLIBURG, JOHN, No. 168 East 54th Street, lacerated neck and head; Broad Street Hospital. CIARSUIL, JAMES W., No. 590

CHILD, C. H., No. 110 West 86th Street, fractured right arm; Broad Street Hospital. CIRMON, ALEX, Volunteer

CONCORS, IGMMETT, No. 1187 Redford avenue, Brooklyn; Broad Birect Hospital, CONWAY, JOHN M., No. 450 Gresnwood Avenue, Richmond

(Continued on Third Page.) DON'T MISS "WAY DOWN EAST,"

WORLD RESTAURANT.

TROOPS PLACED ON GUARD IN THE BANKING DISTRICT

hood of the Explosion Say That Some of the Buildings Rocked as If From an Earthquake-U. S. Troops Guard U.S. Sub-Treasury.

A mysterious explosion in Wall Street, near the corner of Broad, the firancial heart of New York at noon to-day killed nineteen or more MARKLE, COAL OPERATOR, people-according to the latest police reports, injured probably 200, partically wrecked the J. P. Morgan banking house, the Sub-Treasury and the Assay Office and caused property damage estimated at \$1,-

Experts are in controversy over the cause of the explosion. Police nvestigators are of the opinion that the damage was done by an infernal machine in a closed truck drawn by one horse which was abandoned it the curb in front of the Assay Office, shortly before 12 o'clock and that a timing apparatus set off a quantity of high explosive at the stroke of noon. The horse was blown to pieces, but no trace had been found

tured single bomb could cause the damage which was done. They adhere to the theory that a truck loaded with explosives blew up as it was passing through Wall Street and was midway between the Morgan banking house and the Assay Office. The explosion, they believe, was the direct result of a collision between the explosives truck and an automobile.

Witnesses have been found who claim to have seen a truck marked 'EXPLOSIVES" near the scene of the explosion shortly before noon. There are also witnesses who claim to have seen a flash in an automobile standing at the curb near the Morgan Bank, which flash was immediately followed by the explosion,

FIND DEBRIS THAT SUPPORTS BOMB THEORY.

In support of the theory that the explosion came from a time bomb, experts point to pieces of springs, window sash weights and pieces of sheet metal found on the street near the remains of the horse.

One man, William Joyce, a clerk was killed in the banking house of . P. Morgan & Co. J. P. Morgan is in Europe. His son, Junius Morgan, the only member of the firm who was on the ground floor of the buildng was showered with broken glass, but claims to have escaped injury. Other members of the firm were in consultation in a room on the second floor, which is on the Broad Street side of the building remote from the

The theory that the explosion was caused by a bomb in an automobile which was either moving slowly eastward or standing at the curb in front of the Morganbank is bulwarked by the testimony of at least two witnesses who clai mto have seen the flash in the car.

Figuring prominently in the secident-or in the reports of the alleged eye-witnesses-is an automobile owned by D. S. Belden, who owns a drug store in Newark. The car was demolished and the chauffenr, Jerome H. McKenn, was blown to pieces. Belden was in an office at No. 52 Wall Street at the time of the explosion and said he left his car at the curb a few minutes before and there were no explosives

MAYOR WILL URGE REWARD OF \$10,000.

Mayor Hylan after a visit to the scene of the explosion said at the -If there was a plot. The city officials are of the opinion that an explos a subject worthy of careful investigation,

Practically all the explosives used in building operations in New for safe-keeping during structural changes in the Treasury Buffding. The

Employees in Offices in Neighbor- Tremendous Crowds Impede the Ambulances-Buildings Riddled as if Subjected to Gunfire-Hospital Reception Rooms Like Dressing Station on a Battlefield.

CONVINCED THAT EXPLOSION WAS WORK OF BOLSHEVISTS

John Markle of the Hotel Plaza, the noted anthracite mining operator, was seen at the St. Vincent Hospital, whither he went with his mining engineer, A. B. Jessup, both having been cut by glass.

"We were in Mr. Morgan's private office," said Mr. Markle, talking with Mr. Junius Morgan and Mr. Joyce, one of the partners of the house, when the explosion occurred. After the roar of the explosion, glass fell in a shower all over those in the office and outside clerks were toppled from their seats to the floor, all of them being cut by the glass or otherwise hurt.

"Mr. Morgan did not seem to be hurt, but Mr. Joyce was badly cut.

"Both Mr. Jessup and I are technical men and we say positively that the centre of the explosion was an automobile in front of the office on the Wall Street side. I don't know what else went up, but the origin of the blowup was the automobile. And there is no question in my mind that it was the work of Bolshevists."

Hiram Davis of Bayville, L. I., a chauffeur, says the explosion occurred in an automobile which was either standing in front of the Morgan bank or moving alowly eastward. He is the chauffeur for Winslow S. Pierce and was standing near his car in front of No. 40 Wall Street waiting for his employer.

"I was looking at the automobile," said Davis. "I saw a flash, immediately followed by a terrific explosion. I am sure a bomb exploded in the car."

York are furnished by the E. I. Du Pont, Nemours Company. The firm reports that none of its wagons was in the vicinity of Broad and Wall Streets at the time of the explosion. Pieces of the truck found at a considerable distance from the scene of the explosion are said by men employed on the excavation for the Stock Exchange annex to resemble wreckage such as would come from the type of truck which conveys

Mayor Hylan, Police Commissioner Enright and his deputies, Assistant District Attorneys Talley and Joyce and agents of the Department of Justice hurried to the scene soon after the explosion. They were greatly interested in the story of Hiram Davis, a chauffeur, who claims the explosion occurred in an automobile in front of the Morgan

As against this is a hole in the street in front of the Assay Office. City Hall that he will ask the Board of Estimate to-morrow to offer a This hole was not there prior to the explosion and it is close to the rereward of \$10,000 for Information which may lead to discovery of a plot mains of the horse which, some witnesses say, was drawing the truck in which the explosion occurred,

Between the United States Sub Treasury and the Assay Office to the sion at noon in the street between the Morgan office and the Sub-Treasury onat a temporary structure was erected recently. This has been used to shield the transfer of \$900,000,000 in gold and buillon to the Assay Office